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July 15, 2008

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION:  
ADOPT A RESOLUTION ASSIGNING TO THE ALTADENA FOOTHILLS  
CONSERVANCY THE COUNTY'S RIGHT TO APPLY FOR COUNTY EXCESS  
FUNDS AVAILABLE TO THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT UNDER  
THE SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS PROPOSITION OF 1996  
(FIFTH DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

Approval of the recommended actions will allow the Altadena Foothills Conservancy to apply for \$40,000 of Fifth Supervisorial District County Excess Funds from the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District to complete the Altadena/Pasadena Oak Woodland Pocket Park in the Altadena community.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD**

1. Find the proposed action categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act for the reasons cited herein.
2. Adopt the Resolution assigning the Altadena Foothills Conservancy the County's right to apply for \$40,000 of Fifth Supervisorial District County Excess Funds allocated to the County of Los Angeles under the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 for the completion of the Altadena/Pasadena Oak Woodland Pocket Park Project in the unincorporated area of the Altadena community.

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### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Approval of the recommended actions will allow the Altadena Foothills Conservancy (AFC) to apply for \$40,000 of Fifth Supervisorial District County Excess Funds from the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District (District) to complete the Altadena/Pasadena Oak Woodland Pocket Park in the Altadena community. The pocket park is approximately 8,000 square feet of neglected land at the intersection of Woodbury and Marengo. It will serve as a small park for area residents, as well as a miniature watershed demonstrating how water can be used efficiently and effectively in a park with California native plants.

On February 20, 2007, your Board approved the allocation of \$15,000 to the AFC for the construction of the Oak Woodland Pocket Park on a peninsula of land at the intersection of Marengo Avenue and Woodbury Road in Altadena. The project was funded by the \$15,000 above, \$21,000 from the Metropolitan Water District, \$10,000 in State Bond funds for a total project cost of \$46,000. However, the \$10,000 in State Bond Funds from Proposition 12 Per Capita were withdrawn due to the project not meeting the completion date of the grant deadline reducing the project to \$36,000. While most of the work on the pocket park has been completed, additional funding is needed for cladding for the park's concrete block wall and decomposed granite walkways. To complete the project, the AFC requests an additional \$40,000 in County Excess funds for a current total project cost of \$76,000.

In a related action on today's agenda, the District is recommending that the Director of Parks and Recreation award a grant to the AFC when applicable conditions have been met, and to administer the grant as of the date of this action pursuant to procedures in the Procedural Guide for Specified and Per Parcel Projects.

### **Implementation of Strategic Goals**

The proposed recommendations support County Strategic Plan Service Excellence (Goal 1), Fiscal Responsibility (Goal 4), Children and Families' Well-being (Goal 5), Community Service (Goal 6), by improving the service and quality of life for residents in this community.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

Sufficient funds in the amount of \$40,000 are available in the Fifth Supervisorial District's Excess Funds Project Fund.

### **Operating Budget Impact**

The Department of Parks and Recreation will work with the Chief Executive Office to determine the appropriate operating requirements and available funding, if one-time or ongoing costs are required upon completion of the project.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The 1996 Proposition provides a method for determining each fiscal year the amount of funds available in the following fiscal year to fund capital improvement projects in addition to the amounts specifically identified for projects in the Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions of 1992 and 1996. The recommended action will allow the AFC to apply for funds from the Excess Funds available to the Fifth District.

County Counsel has approved this action and the attached Resolution as to form.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

On February 20, 2007, your Board found this project to be categorically exempt from California Environmental Quality Act according to Sections 15303 (d) and 15304 (a) (b) of the State California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and Classes 3 (a), 4 (a) (c) of the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, because the project involves a new utility extension, fine grading and landscaping.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

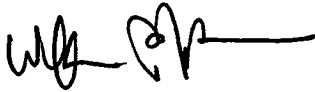
There is no impact on current services or projects as a result of this action.

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**CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted, stamped copy of this letter to the Chief Executive Office, Capital Projects Division, and three copies to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'WTF', followed by a horizontal line.

WILLIAM T FUJIOKA  
Chief Executive Officer

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Attachment

c: County Counsel  
Department of Parks and Recreation

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**

**APPROVING ASSIGNMENT OF RIGHT TO APPLY FOR COUNTY EXCESS FUNDS  
UNDER THE SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS PROPOSITION OF 1996  
TO THE ALTADENA FOOTHILLS CONSERVANCY**

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**WHEREAS**, the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 allocated funding to the County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation to provide funding for the acquisition and development of parks and recreational areas owned or operated by the County of Los Angeles; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation may assign its right to apply for these funds to other agencies to implement the intent of the 1996 Proposition; and

**WHEREAS**, the Altadena Foothills Conservancy is requesting an additional \$40,000 in County Excess Funds for the completion of the Altadena/Pasadena Oak Woodland Pocket Park within the Altadena community; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation has determined that it is in the County's best interest to assign its right to apply for these funds to the Altadena Foothills Conservancy; and

**WHEREAS**, the Altadena Foothills Conservancy will submit an application to the Regional Park and Open Space District to obtain a grant for the above-referenced project and will be required to provide assurances to the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District that the funds will be expended in accordance with the intent of the 1996 Proposition and the procedural guidelines adopted by your Board, acting as Board of the District.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors hereby adopts this Resolution approving the right to apply for \$40,000 of County Excess Funds from the Regional Park and Open Space District under the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996.

The foregoing resolution was adopted on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2008, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, Agencies, and authorities for which said Board so acts.



SACHI A. HAMAI, Executive Officer-  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
of the County of Los Angeles

By

Deputy

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

**RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.**  
County Counsel

By

Christina A. Salceda

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